

WEBB'S SIDE. New York Central Railroad Officials the Chief Witnesses Heard To-Day.

State Board of Arbitration Adjourned to Meet at Albany on Friday.

Manager Toucey and Supts. Voorhees and Buchanan Under Fire.

They Plead Ignorance as to Why the 78 Knights Were Discharged.

Admissions that Some Had to Go Because They Talked for the Order.

The second day's hearing of the State Board of Arbitration and Mediation, in its investigation into the causes of the New York Central Railroad strike, opened this morning in Part I. of the Superior Court with a larger attendance than yesterday.

In accordance with the directions of Chairman Purcell, the other witnesses whom the Board desires to examine on the part of the railroad company, were on hand at an early hour.

They were General Manager J. M. Toucey, General Superintendent Theodore W. Voorhees, Supt. William Buchanan, of the rolling stock department; J. W. Stephens, foreman of the freemen and trainmen, and Edwin Lyon, foreman of the yard and switchmen.

These latter are the foremen who were the immediate supervisors of some of the men who were discharged, and whose names were mentioned by several of the witnesses yesterday as having been interviewed by them after their discharge.

They are also the ones who the Company claims furnished much of the information upon which the dismissals were based.

Counselors Frank Loomis and Hamilton Harris, of the Central Company, were present to look after the interests of the railroad people, and Gen. Roger A. Pryor to conduct the examination of the witnesses in behalf of the discharged employees and the General Executive Committee of the Knights of Labor.

The Railroad Company was also represented by A. E. Leonard, Mr. Webb's private secretary, and D. W. Tears, as assistant counsel.

As Gen. Pryor announced yesterday, all the witnesses to be examined in this city on the part of the Knights of Labor have been called, and the testimony of those that may be material will be taken later on the Board site at Albany.

General Master Workman Powderly came in before the opening of the hearing with General Committee A. W. Wright, General Secretary Hayes, and Committee-man John Devlin arrived later. Mr. Holland, however, has left the city.

Master Workman E. J. Lee and several of his colleagues in the management of D. A. 246 were also present, as well as a large number of discharged Knights.

It was 10.30 when Commissioner Purcell called the Board to order, and when Commissioner Loomis announced that all the witnesses requested by the Board were present, Mr. Toucey was called to the stand.

MANAGER TOUCEY QUESTIONED. In answer to Commissioner Purcell's questions, Mr. Toucey said that he had an interview with Mr. Lee some time ago.

"He came to make some demands of me which I declined to accede to," said Mr. Toucey.

which you may possess in regard to any dealings between the railroad company and its discharged employees in regard to the present strike?"

"I know very little about it," replied Mr. Toucey. "I was out of town almost continuously for three weeks previous to the strike and had nothing to do with it."

"But you were present at some interviews that took place subsequently?"

"Yes, some time ago I was present at an interview which took place in Mr. Toucey's office when Mr. Powderly and Mr. Devlin called."

"What did you have to say on that occasion?"

"I said nothing at all. I simply heard Mr. Powderly and Mr. Devlin make some proposals, which were not accepted. I had nothing to offer."

As Mr. Pryor did not care to cross-examine the witness he was released.

DIDN'T KNOW WHY HE FIRED THEM. Supt. William Buchanan, of the rolling stock department, was called as the next witness.

"Testimony was given yesterday to the effect that you had discharged several men," said Commissioner Purcell, "including Lee, is that so?"

"Yes, I discharged Lee. I had orders from Vice-President Webb to do so, and I simply carried them out."

"What was the reason given for his discharge?"

"I did not know the cause, and did not inquire."

"How as to the other seventy-eight men?"

"I only discharged two of them."

"Which ones were they?"

"Malloy and Conlin."

"For what cause were they dismissed?"

"Malloy was discharged for obtaining a pass under false representations, and Conlin for neglect of duty. He was absent from his work for several days without leave, and was reported as having been late from fifteen to twenty minutes on six or seven different occasions."

This closed Mr. Buchanan's testimony.

IGNORANCE HIS FLA. Then Foreman J. W. Stephens was called and the same question was put by Commissioner Purcell as in the case of the previous witness in regard to his discharging employees.

"I acted only on authority," replied the witness, "and did not discharge any of the men on my own responsibility."

"Did you know on what ground the men were discharged?"

"No," it was one of my business. I simply got my instructions from headquarters."

"From whom did you get instructions?"

"From Mr. Buchanan."

"Did you ever visit Valentine, one of the discharged men, and he testified before the Board yesterday?"

"Yes, I went to see him as he described."

"What was the conversation that took place between you?"

"I told him that I had heard frequent rumors that he had been talking very loudly about the strike, and that they had told him that if he did not join the Knights of Labor they would suffer for it."

"That he had told them there was going to be a big strike, and they had better come in out of the wet or they would get left. I took a personal interest in Valentine, for I had known him for a long time and I was interested in promoting his promotion. He knew it as well as I did."

HIS CRIME WAS TALKING. "What did he have to say?"

"He admitted that he had been talking, but said it was only in fun; that he did not mean it and was sorry for it."

"Did you ever order any killing men that were working against the Company, and advised him to leave the Knights of Labor?"

"I did not do this because I objected to the strike, but because I had an official interest in the matter. It was purely a personal interest, and I told him I wanted him to regard it in that light."

"Did you ever order any killing men under you to leave the Knights of Labor?"

"No, sir," replied the witness.

"Did you ever sign a paper, requesting the men to sign it, which was an agreement to resign from the Knights of Labor?"

"No, sir," replied the witness.

"By order of Mr. Buchanan."

"What was the reason of his dismissal?"

"I asked no reasons, and none were given to me. I simply notified him that he had been discharged."

"That is all."

KNIGHT LEARY'S STORY. Counselor Loomis here announced that there was no other witness called for by the Board to testify, and after some consultation between Gen. Pryor and Messrs. Powderly, Wright and Devlin, Matthew Leary was called to the stand.

The witness said that he was a trainman and that he was acquainted with Foreman Stephens.

BURNED ALIVE. WALL ST. Daniel Killian Falls from Rescuing Arms Back Into the Flames.

Hogan's Factory in East Fifty-sixth Street Destroyed.

Panic in Adjoining Tenements—Cause of the Fire a Mystery.

Thomas Hogan's cornice factory, at 227 and 229 East Fifty-sixth street, was destroyed by fire this morning, along with M. Abraham's cigar factory, that was in the same building. The loss on both is supposed to be quite \$40,000, covered pretty fully by insurance.

Hogan's factory is a five-story building, situated in between tall tenements, and still taller tenements across the street. Some of these belong to Hogan, who is a wealthy man. He employs sixty or eighty hands about the factory, and as many more outside. His brother Philip superintends the work of the men.

Mr. Hogan himself was not there, having gone to the manly pier to see his son off for Europe, but his brother Philip, was just taking off his coat and about to give the order to blow the whistle when there was an explosion that seemed to lift every body right off his feet.

The explosion was in the cellar, and instantly cries of terror rose from below. Three or four boys had gone down to "get out stuff" for the day's work—charcoal, oil and other things it had been their duty for years to handle.

What caused the explosion? The explosion, or how it occurred, still is a mystery that thickens as efforts are made to explore it. It could not have been gas, for the gas-meter is in the front of the cellar where the elevator shaft stood open, while the explosion occurred in the rear.

Four boys are known for certain to have been in the cellar—Daniel Killian, about sixteen years old; John Logan, who lives at Fifty-fourth street and Avenue A; John O'Brien, who gave his address as 1170 Second avenue, and a fourth whose name is unknown.

LIKE RATS IN A TRAP. The boys rushed simultaneously to the front. As they reached the elevator hole, the car, released in some way by the fire, shot upward and left them helpless. Out behind it, a deadly smoke and shortly fire through it were heard the yells of the imprisoned boys. Half a dozen workmen stopped to throw them a rope that lay by the shaft.

"Catch the rope," they yelled. One did and two came up the stairs, their clothes in a tangle. "Hurry, hurry!" shouted the men who were holding the rope just inside the street door. It was pulled taut a moment and then hung slack again.

A WAIL AN OF DEATH. "I can't—I can't find it," wailed a boy's voice. Another boy, who was standing on the stairs. One was still left. It was Dan Killian.

"Killian, Killian!" shouted the men. Only a feeble cry answered them.

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A sheet of fire shot up from the cellar, ran up through the shaft like lightning. The fire had found vent. No further human sound came from below, and the workmen fled to save themselves.

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FOUND HIS BODY. At 11.15 o'clock the body of young Killian was found charred and blackened in the cellar, and was taken to the police station. The lad was but fourteen years old, and lived at sixty-ninth street and First avenue.

Fair and Warner. Washington, Sept. 3.—Weather indications: Fair and warm.

AWARDED ONE BIG CONTRACT. Michael Coleman to Build the Dam at Reservoir D for \$397,000.

At the meeting of August Commissioners Duane, Scott and Tucker in executive session to-day the construction of the dam across the east branch of the Croton River, near the foot of the Croton Park, was awarded to Michael Coleman. His bid was \$397,000, the estimate of Chief Engineer.

Mayor Grant Off to the Woods. Mayor Grant will begin a ten days' vacation this evening. He will spend it in the Adirondacks in company with his former private secretary, ex-Senator Lawrence.

STOCK REPORTS. Rock Island and Sugar Certificates Hammered Away Down.

Burlington and Quincy, Too. Suffers an Attack.

Money in Fair Supply at 2 1/2 to 6 Per Cent.

HERE was a smash and a bang at Rock Island and Sugar certificates to-day, and that constituted about all there was in the stock market until very near the close. Rock Island broke to 2 1/2, and continued reports of the unfavorable financial condition of the company, while Sugar certificates were depressed to 80 on the fear that the Senate would materially interfere with the sugar schedule in the McKinley bill. The Terill bill as passed by the House is considered favorable to sugar refiners.

The remainder of the usually active list fell about 1/4 to 1/2 per cent, but was extremely quiet.

Late in the day it was officially announced that the differences existing between the Atchafalpa and Rock Island Companies had been settled amicably.

The former has agreed to the decision of the arbitrator and will divert business to Rock Island.

As a result, Atchafalpa advanced 1/4 to 4 3/8 and Rock Island 1/4 to 8 1/4.

The other shares moved up in sympathy and ruled firm until near 3.30 p. m. when the shorts attacked Burlington and Quincy vigorously, forcing the price down to 100, the lowest point since Aug. 21 last.

This naturally hurt the balance of the market and the improvement noted was lost.

Money was in fair supply at 2 1/2 to 6 per cent. Auction to-day one share of Chemical Bank sold at \$4,700.

The Treasury Department to-day bought 300,000 ounces of silver at \$1.194. The bond redemptions up to 3 o'clock were \$63,000 in Washington, \$1,000 in Philadelphia and \$31,000 in this city.

The following were 107,000 shares of listed stocks, 380,000 ounces of silver, 18,000 barrels of Pennsylvania oil and 15,000 barrels of Buckeye.

THE CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

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BOSS VARNISHERS GIVE IN. At the headquarters of the striking varnishers, at Clarendon Hall, this morning, it was reported that nine more New York bosses and three Brooklyn bosses had surrendered and agreed to pay the increased schedule of wages.

THE DON SALE. All the Stock to Be Sold at Retail, Commencing To-Morrow Morning.

THEY HAVE THE BOOTS NOW. SPARROW COPS IN BOOTS. \$250,000 BROOKLYN BLAZE.

Three Big Buildings in Wallabout Market Totally Destroyed.

Three Burned to a Crisp. A Drunken Man's Fatal Carelessness with a Lamp.

THE Central Park mounted police squad are more heavily armed than the introduction of their new top boots and cavalry trappings.

The new boots were put on for the first time Monday, and the eighteen men present a truly military appearance.

The top boots are of cowhide with a wrinkle at the ankle. They come clear to the knee and in front there is a cap that extends up and forms a shield for the knee. The boots have to be blacked every day and the wearers have to groom them himself.

Then there are the cutest little knee-breaches imaginable to go with the top-boots. The knee-breaches are gray, with a broad, black stripe down the outer seam, just like the old uniform trousers.

The bits are Prussian cavalry bits, giving the rider a greater command over his mount, and making the animal hold his head aloft. The saddles are the Whitman pattern, and there are new saddles as well.

No nurse maid with a basket and an eye for the mounted squad copper in his paw "disguise," and the park policemen who are on foot are much depressed on account of the innovation.

THREE BURNED TO A CRISP. A Drunken Man's Fatal Carelessness with a Lamp.

Charles Anderson was arraigned in Long Island City this morning charged with attempt to assault Ann Marston, of 502 Third street, North Brooklyn, at Rockaway Beach last night.

According to the girl's story she went with Anderson to a dance, and when near a cellar grove he knocked her down and attempted to assault her. She screamed and fought him.

His cries were heard by Policeman Staunton, of the beach force, who attempted to arrest Anderson.

Just as he put his hands upon the latter the drunkard was struck on the back of the head with a club and knocked senseless.

Mrs. Mary Kelly and her two children and Mr. Neigenfus, with their child, had a narrow escape, going out in their night clothes by a back staircase.

McIntyre's wife, with grief. He has been taken into custody.

HER CREW ALL SAFE. The ownership of the cat-rigged boat Frankie, which was picked up off Shearwater yesterday afternoon by Capt. C. Tuttle, was discovered this morning.

She belonged to Mr. Moore, of Bayonne, N. J., who, in company with several other yachtmen of the Newark Bay Boat Club, were coming down the bay Sunday.

The Frankie carried a little too much sail, and when off Red Bank buoy (made Sandy Hook) she was struck by the wind and the boat was blown into the water.

Mr. Moore, Mr. Moore's wife and Mr. Carpenter, of Bayonne, who were his companions on the Frankie, were taken off by the lifeboat crew.

The crew was up by Capt. Tuttle's ladder was stocked with champagne, liquor, bread and other necessities.

It was the supposition that she had carried a pleasure party who had been swept off and drowned.

5 O'CLOCK SPECIAL. RACING. GASCON.

A 15 to 1 Chance, Won the Sapphire Stakes. Quite Easily.

KEY WEST CAME SECOND. Princess Bowling Beat Al Farrow in the First.

SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD. SHEPHERD RAY RACE, Sept. 3.—A more delightful day for an outing could scarcely be than that enjoyed by those present here to-day. The crowd was a very large one, which goes to prove that this course is one of the most popular in the country.

To make things more pleasant the card was good one and the bettors did not wait for a chance to bet.

Volunteer was the favorite for the opening event, with that Western flyer, Al Farrow, a close second choice. Princess Bowling, however, carried a lot of the money, and won quite handsily, with Al Farrow second and Volunteer unplaced.

Sixteen two-year-olds faced Starter Calkwell for the Sapphire Stakes, with Nellie By a prime favorite. There was a long delay at the post on which Nellie By was left as the start. The race was won by Gascon, a 15 to 1 shot.

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6 Princess	105	Overton	6th
7 Nellie By	105	Overton	7th

The race-Al Farrow cut out the running to the head of the scratch, where he was beaten, and Princess Bowling won quite easily, with Al Farrow second and Volunteer unplaced.

Mutuals paid: Straight, \$31.50; for place, \$10.50. Al Farrow paid \$11.50.

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HE WAS CARVED TO PIECES. An Unknown Man Horribly Butchered on Long Island.

SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD. MANHATTAN, L. I., Sept. 3.—Early this morning the body of a well-dressed man was found at Ridgewood, four miles from here.

There were signs of a desperate struggle, and the dead man had been stabbed in a dozen places.

No one hereabouts can identify him.

Burglar Young in Hard Luck. PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 3.—Postmaster-General Wankmacker's Bethany Church sold silver and gold communion service for the hands of Burglar Frank Young last night.

Unfortunately for Young, after he had gathered his way in a shop, and was about to make off, the postmaster-general's Bible came into the room and began a search, captured the burglar and recovered the stolen plate.